David Hager’s recollections
of the transition from college to university

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But I came when the state anointed Old Dominion a university. In fact, I was one of six that year hired by the Department of Political Science, and now I’m the only one left. There were lots of multiple hires in several departments in ’69 as the institution amped up to becoming a university. It actually took several years for it to become a university. Its orientation and its style was still very much that of a small college. Things like the importance of research and scholarship were not yet part of the culture here. But even when those things happened to Old Dominion, one of the things that’s always attracted me— it’s never lost sight of where its roots were. (pg. 2)

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